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SUBJECT: EXCHANGES: REHABILITATIVE SERVICES

FOR SCI COUNSELOR

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1. US HOSTS (SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION AND SOCIAL AND REHABILITATION SERVICE OF DHEW) IN THE ABSENCE OF SOVIET EXPRESSION OF SPECIFIC INTERESTS (REQUESTED IN REFTELS A AND B) HAVE DEVELOPED PROPOSED PROGRAM FOR SUBJECT VISIT. BECAUSE OF LIMITED TIME REMAINING BEFORE SOVDEL ARRIVAL AND DIFFICULTY IN MAKING TRAVEL AND HOTEL RESERVATIONS DURING EASTER SEASON, HEW NOW MAKING RESERVATIONS FOR SOVDEL ON BASIS OF PROPOSED ITINERARY.

2. EMBASSY REQUESTED TO POINT OUT TO SOVIETS THAT WE HAVE SELECTED WASHINGTON-BALTIMORE, NEW YORK, CHICAGO, AND HOUSTON BECAUSE THEY AFFORD OPPORTUNITY TO SEE BROADEST POSSIBLE RANGE OF US REHABILITATIVE SERVICES. IN ADDITION TO LISTED INSTITUTIONS, SOVDEL WOULD HAVE OPPORTUNITY IN CHICAGO AND NEW YORK TO VISIT SPECIALISTS IN STATE AND FEDERAL REGIONAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES IN REHABILITATIVE

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SERVICES AND SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION. IN CHICAGO

IT WOULD ALSO BE POSSIBLE TO ARRANGE VISIT TO PRIVATE FIRM INVOLVED IN FABRICATION OF PROSTHETICS.

3. ITINERARY LISTS MANY INSTITUTIONS THAT COULD BE VISITED. REQUEST THAT SOVIETS IDENTIFY ASAP AREAS OF GREATEST INTEREST IN EACH CITY, SO SPONSORS CAN MAKE VISIT ARRANGEMENTS. (TIME CONSTRAINTS WILL PRECLUDE VISITS TO ALL FACILITIES.)

4. REFTEL C INDICATED SOVIETS WISHED START TRIP APRIL 8. WE ARE ACTING ON ASSUMPTION SOVDEL WILL ARRIVE NYC APRIL 7. SINCE, HOWEVER, AEROFLOT IS SCHEDULED TO INITIATE DIRECT WASHINGTON FLIGHT APRIL 5 REQUEST EMBASSY CONFIRM ARRIVAL DATE.

5. ITINERARY: APRIL 8-9: WASHINGTON, D.C. MEETING WITH TOP LEVEL HEW-SRS OFFICIALS FOR ORIENTATION AND DISCUSSION ON OVERALL US REHABILITATION PROGRAM AND SERVICES INCLUDING POLICY, LEGISLATION AND FACILITIES. VISITS TO GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY CONCERNED WITH GENERAL REHABILITATION, OR GALLAUDET COLLEGE FOR THE EDUCATION AND TRAINING OF THE DEAF.

APRIL 10: BALTIMORE, MD. MEETING AND DISCUSSION WITH OFFICIALS FROM SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION AND VISITS TO SSA FACILITIES FOR DISCUSSION OF REHABILITATION SERVICES FOR DISABLED WORKERS.

APRIL 11-14: CHICAGO, ILLINOIS PROSTHETICS-ORTHOTICS EDUCATION PROGRAM-TEACHING OF DIFFERENT SPECIALISTS, PROSTHETISTS, NURSES, PHYSICAL THERAPISTS, OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS) INCLUDING FABRICATION, FITTING, EVALUATION, AND APPLICATION OF THESE DEVICES FOR THE AMPUTEE OR OTHER DISABLED; REHABILITATION ENGINEERING CENTER-MEDICAL, ENGINEERING AND RELATED SPECIALISTS TO ASSIST WITH THE VOCATIONAL AND SELF CARE GOALS OF THE DISABLED; SPINAL CORD INJURY CENTER-THE TREATMENT AND REHABILITATION OF MEN AND WOMEN WITH SPINAL CORD INJURIES; CHICAGO GOODWILL INDUSTRY-A VOLUNTARY NON-PROFIT AGENCY CONCERNED WITH MANY TYPES OF THE DISABLED AND WHICH PROVIDES SHELTERED EMPLOYMENT

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EMPLOYMENT TO THE DISABLED; HADLEY SCHOOL FOR BLIND-TRAINING PROVIDED BLIND CHILDREN AT ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOL LEVEL; REHABILITATION INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO-A GENERAL REHABILITATION FACILITY FOR ALL ASPECTS OF TREATMENT, EVALUATION AND FOLLOW-UP OF DISABLED MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

APRIL 15-17: HOUSTON, TEXAS TEXAS REHABILITATION INSTI-

TUTE AND REHABILITATION ENGINEERING CENTER-PSYCHOLOGICAL,
SOCIAL, AND VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION OF THE DISABLED

INCLUDING ORTHOPEDIC, NEUROLOGICAL, NEUROMUSCULAR AND
CARDIAC REHABILITATION; THE M.D. ANDERSON HOSPITAL-TREAT-
MENT, CARE AND REHABILITATION OF CANCER PATIENTS; THE
TEXAS DIVISION OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION-STATE-FEDERAL
VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION PROGRAMS FOR THE PHYSICALLY AND
MENTALLY DISABLED, WITH EMPHASIS ON QUICK DELIVERY OF
SERVICES AND FOLLOW THROUGH OF THE DISABLED PERSON AFTER
RECEIVING REHABILITATION SERVICES.

APRIL 18-19: NEW YORK, N.Y. INSTITUTE FOR REHABILITATION
MEDICINE, N.Y.U.-RESEARCH, TRAINING AND SERVICE CENTER-
OVERALL REHABILITATION FOR THE DISABLED INCLUDING: SPINAL
CORD INJURY, AMPUTEE, STROKE (CEREBRAL VASCULAR ACCIDENT)
CONGENITAL ANOMALIES AND OTHER DISABLED; INSTITUTE FOR
CRIPPLED AND DISABLED-VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION, INCLUDING
TREATMENT, EVALUATION (USING OF WORK SAMPLES) TRAINING,
AND PLACEMENT; ASSOCIATION FOR HELP OF RETARDED CHILDREN-
PROGRAMS FOR MENTALLY RETARDED INCLUDING SHELTERED WORK-
SHOP, SOCIALIZATION AND PROGRAMS FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING;
FEDERATION OF HANDICAPPED-INCLUDES SHELTERED WORKSHOP,
AND A VERY LARGE SOCIAL-RECREATION SERVICE; ABILITIES
INCORPORATED-INDUSTRY OPERATED SOLELY FOR AND BY THE DIS-
ABLED; VETERANS ADMINISTRATION-REHABILITATION OF
DISABLED, INCLUDING AMPUTEES AND THE FABRICATION, FITTING,
EVALUATION, AND APPLICATION OF PROSTHETIC DEVICES;
BROOKLYN HOME FOR THE BLIND-A COMPREHENSIVE REHABILITATION
PROGRAM FOR THE BLIND, INCLUDING SHELTERED WORKSHOP, AND
EVALUATION, TRAINING AND PLACEMENT IN SHELTERED AND COM-
PETITIVE EMPLOYMENT; NATIONAL DEAF-BLIND CENTER-A TOTALLY
COMPREHENSIVE CENTER FOR DEAF BLIND INCLUDING VOCATIONAL
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APRIL 20-21: FREE DAY IN NEW YORK CITY. SATURDAY AND
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